- Enhancing application of IT for effective connectivity and technology dissemination
- Moving towards sustainability of extension services
- Convergence of line department programmes and operating Government support through ATMA in gap filling mode
- Providing marketing extension linkages

Promotion of Sports

*22. SHRI RAJNATH SINGH 'SURYA': Will the Minister of YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS be pleased to state:

(a) whether a committee has been set up on Government - Industry co-operation for promotion of sports:

(b) if so, whether various sports federations are also associated with this committee; and

(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS (SUSHREE UMA BHARTI): (a) to (c) A meeting was held on 7.12.2001 under the Chairmanship of the Union Finance Minister with the representatives of leading Chambers of Commerce and Industry to discuss the areas of cooperation between Government and Industry for promotion of sports in the country. In this meeting, it was decided to meet periodically the representatives of the Industry's Associations under the Chairmanship of Finance Minister to review the progress made in promoting sports with the active participation of the Industry. No Committee as such was set up for this purpose.

Growth target of agricultural sector

*23. SHRI SOLIPETA RAMACHANDRA REDDY: Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:—

(a) the rate of growth targeted and achieved in agricultural sector during the last three years, year-wise;

(b) whether it is a fact that this sector performed below the target during the same period;